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Office Action Summary

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ARCOS-RODRIGUEZ ET AL.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 12 October 2009.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3-6 and 8-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3-6 and 8-12 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/GS/US)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

This Office action is in response to the Request for Continued Examination filed 12 October 2009.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

Claims 1, 3-11, 13, and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Slotznick (US Patent 6,011,537), in view of Landsman et al (US Patent 6,687,737), hereinafter Landsman.

Regarding claim 1, Slotznick teaches receiving a plurality of data configured for simultaneous display from an information source (taught as the accessing and downloading of information in the form of pages, at col. 6, lines 28-32, where pages contain both primary and secondary data, at col. 8, lines 51-52, wherein the primary and secondary data are displayed simultaneously, at col. 4, lines 49-51), prior to displaying the received data, separating the received data into a plurality of elements (taught as the downloading of a "page" of data containing both primary and secondary data, at col. 8, lines 44-52, the primary and secondary data being separated into distinct virtual pages [the primary data is displayed as the secondary is held in memory, at col. 9, lines 22-27] , displaying a first element of the plurality of elements, detecting a trigger at a controller, and based on the detecting of the trigger, switching from displaying the first element to displaying a second element from the plurality of elements (taught as the display of only primary data on a first virtual page, and secondary data on a second virtual page, at col. 9, lines 24-36, further taught as the separation of primary and secondary

data into different full-display pages upon user actuation, at col. 4, lines 42-62). Slotznick further teaches the separation of primary and secondary data at col. 3, lines 38-41, stating "data that could be classified as secondary information is generally ... downloaded in the foreground as a separate page of primary information", therefore separating the primary and secondary data.

Slotznick fails to explicitly teach wherein responsive to switching from displaying the first element to displaying the second element, starting a timer having a preset duration, and responsive to starting the timer, automatically preventing switching from displaying the second element back to displaying the first element for the preset duration of the timer.

Landsman teaches a method for displaying secondary information in an interstitial interval, similar to that of Slotznick. Furthermore, Landsman teaches wherein responsive to switching from displaying the first element to displaying the second element, starting a timer having a preset duration, and responsive to starting the timer, automatically preventing switching from displaying the second element back to displaying the first element for the preset duration of the timer (taught as the display of an advertisement [second element] during switching from a first element, at col. 31, lines 29-33, and subsequently displaying the advertisement for the full duration as specified in an AdDescriptor file, at col. 32, lines 13-22).

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of Slotznick and Landsman before him at the time the invention was made to modify the information display system of Slotznick to include the timer-based display of Landsman. One would have been motivated to make such a combination for the advantage of allowing an advertiser to display the full amount of advertising content to a user.

Regarding claim 3, Slotznick teaches the first element being advertising information, taught as the use of advertisements as secondary information, at col. 24, lines 28-32.

Regarding claim 4, Slotznick teaches the trigger comprising an elapse of a predetermined time period, taught as the display of a second virtual page after the display of a first page for a pre-specified time, at col. 9, lines 43-50.

Regarding claim 5, Slotznick teaches the trigger comprising a state of a terminal associated with the screen, taught as the change of state inherently present in a user action for the display of the second element, such as the selection of a page or actuation of a key, at col. 9, lines 30-36.

Regarding claim 6, Slotznick teaches the trigger comprising a key actuation or an actuation of the screen, as taught at col. 9, lines 30-36.

Regarding claim 8, Slotznick teaches a screen and control unit coupled to the screen, wherein the control unit is configured to: receive a plurality of data configured for simultaneous display from an information source, prior to displaying the received data, separating the received data into a first element and a second element, display the first element, detect a trigger, and based at least on the detected trigger, switch from displaying the first element to displaying the second element (taught as the accessing and downloading of information in the form of pages, at col. 6, lines 28-32, where pages contain both primary and secondary data, at col. 8, lines 51-52, wherein the primary and secondary data are displayed simultaneously, at col. 4, lines 49-51, the display of only primary data on a first virtual page, and secondary data on

a second virtual page, at col. 9, lines 24-30, further taught as the separation of primary and secondary data into different full-display pages upon user actuation, at col. 4, lines 42'-62). Slotznick further teaches the separation of primary and secondary data at col. 3, lines 38-41, stating "data that could be classified as secondary information is generally ... downloaded in the foreground as a separate page of primary information", therefore separating the primary and secondary data.

Slotznick fails to explicitly teach wherein responsive to switching from displaying the first element to displaying the second element, starting a timer having a preset duration, and responsive to starting the timer, automatically preventing switching from displaying the second element back to displaying the first element for the preset duration of the timer.

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Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of Slotznick and Landsman before him at the time the invention was made to modify the information display system of Slotznick to include the timer-based display of Landsman. One would have been motivated to make such a combination for the advantage of allowing an advertiser to display the full amount of advertising content to a user.

Regarding claim 9, Slotznick teaches the first element being advertising information, taught as the use of advertisements as secondary information, at col. 24, lines 28-32.

Regarding claim 10, Slotznick teaches a timer configured to output a time base signal to the control unit when a predetermined time period has elapsed, and wherein the control unit is configured to change a display of the first element to a display of the second element or change a display of the second element to a display of the first element, taught as the display of a second virtual page after the display of a first page for a pre-specified time, at col. 9, lines 43-50.

Regarding claim 11, Slotznick teaches a key sensor configured for detecting actuation of a key associated with the terminal, and wherein the control unit is configured to change a display of the first element to a display of the second element or change a display of the second element to a display of the first element when a change of the position of the terminal is detected, taught as a user action for the display of the second element, such as the selection of a page or actuation of a key, at col. 9, lines 30-36.

Claim 12 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Slotznick in view of Landsman, and further in view of Barkan et al (US Patent 5,656,804), hereinafter Barkan.

Slotznick and Landsman teach a terminal capable of receiving first and second elements of the same display page, separating the elements, and displaying them at separate times.

Furthermore, Slotznick and Landsman teach changing from the display of the first element to the display of the second element and vice versa in response to a user command or a change in state.

Slotznick and Landsman fail to explicitly teach a position sensor configured for detecting a change in the position of the terminal, and wherein the control unit is configured to change a display of the first element to a display of the second element or change a display of the second element to a display of the first element when a change of the position of the terminal is detected.

Barkan teaches an apparatus for sensing the motion of a portable terminal. Slotznick at col. 6, lines 42-53 teaches the use of portable devices for the display of primary and secondary information. Further, Barkan teaches the carrying out of a command in relation to a change in position of a portable terminal, at col. 4, lines 58-67 through col. 5, lines 1-5.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, having the teachings of Slotznick, Landsman and Barkan before him at the time the invention was made to modify the user commands for changing a displayed element of Slotznick and Landsman to include the orientation-dependent function execution of Barkan, in order to obtain a system where switching between a first and second displayed element is based on the position of a portable terminal.

One would have been motivated to make such a combination for the advantage of quickly switching from one displayed element to another without the use of interface buttons or other inputs to provide switching convenience to a user. See Barkan, col. 3, lines 58-61.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 3-6, and 8-12 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MICHAEL ROSWELL whose telephone number is (571)272-4055. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30 - 6:00 M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kieu Vu can be reached on (571) 272-4057. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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